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In the Matter of) ·
WILLIAM BRUCE WACHTER Asbury, Missouri)) RM
For an Amendment to the Table of FM Allotments to Upgrade)))
Station KWXD from Class A to Class C3 Operation on Channel 278 at Asbury, Missouri)

TO: Chief, Allocations Branch

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

Pursuant to Sections 1.401 and 1.420(g) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R. §§1.401 and 1.420(g), William Bruce Wachter ("Wachter"), by his attorney, hereby respectfully requests the Chief, Allocations Branch, to initiate a notice of proposed rulemaking, looking towards the amendment of the Table of FM Allotments, 47 C.F.R. §73.202, to substitute Channel 278C3 for Channel 278A at Asbury, Missouri, and to modify the construction permit for FM Broadcast Station KWXD, Asbury, Missouri, to specify operation as a Class C3 facility. In support thereof, it is alleged:

1. William Bruce Wachter holds a construction permit, File No. BPH-910410MG, authorizing the construction and operation of a Class A FM broadcast station, KWXD, on Channel 278A at Asbury,

No. of Copies recid_ List A B C D E Missouri. Asbury is a small community, situated in a rural area, and the permittee has determined that it would serve the public interest to operate with as much power and height as possible so as to provide proper service in times of public emergency, giving school closing notices during the winter season, and providing entertainment and information to as wide a geographic area as possible. The permittee has, therefore, commissioned the engineering firm of E. Harold Munn, Jr. & Associates to make a study to determine whether Station KWXD can be upgraded to a higher class of channel.

- 2. Attached hereto and marked Exhibit A is an engineering report, prepared by Virgil M. Royer of the Munn firm. As the report makes clear, Station KWXD can be upgraded from a Class A facility to a Class C3 facility in full compliance with all of the Commission's Rules, and without changing the station's existing assignment on Channel 278.
- 3. Section 1.420(g)(3) of the Commission's Rules provides that the Commission may modify the license or permit of an FM station to another class of channel as a part of a rulemaking proceeding, provided that the modification of license or permit would occur on a mutually exclusive higher class, adjacent or co-channel. That is exactly the case here. The modification of the KWXD construction permit will occur on the station's current channel assignment and that channel assignment would not, therefore, be available to third parties to establish a new station.

4. Therefore, the proposed allocation not only complies with all of the Commission's allocations rules but, additionally, it also complies with the rule which allows the construction permit to be modified as a part of a rulemaking proceeding. Wachter respectfully requests that such a rulemaking proceeding be initiated and that in the course of that proceeding Wachter's construction permit be modified to specify Class C3 operation instead of Class A operation.

Respectfully submitted,

February 19, 1993

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EXHIBIT A

ENGINEERING REPORT

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By KWXD(FM)

Upgrade to Class C3

Asbury, Missouri

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CERTIFICATION OF CONSULTANT

The firm of E. Harold Munn, Jr. & Associates, Inc., Broadcast Engineering Consultants, with offices at 100 Airport Drive, Coldwater, Michigan, has been retained for the purpose of preparing the technical data submitted in this report.

The data utilized in this report was taken from the FCC Secondary Database and data on file. While this information is believed accurate, errors or omissions in the database and file data are possible. This firm may not be held liable for damages as a result of those data errors or omissions.

The report has been prepared by or under the direction of the undersigned, whose qualifications are a matter of record before the Federal Communications Commission.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the contents of this report are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. Harold Munn, Jr. & Associates, Inc.

February 11, 1993

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ENGINEERING STATEMENT

In Support of a Petition To Amend §73.202(b)

The firm of E. Harold Munn, Jr. & Associates, Inc., was retained to prepare this Engineering Statement in support of a petition to amend 47 C.F.R. Section 73.202(b), the FM Table of Allotments, for Asbury, Missouri.

It is proposed to amend the Table to substitute Channel 278C3 for Channel 278A at Asbury, Missouri and modify the construction permit of KWXD, BPH-910410MG to specify the upgraded channel. A specified reference point is required for the channel to meet the spacings of §73.207.

Data contained in this report is responsive to the requirements of the Rules, as amended.

Figure 1 is a pertinent portion of the computer study which demonstrates that, at the reference point listed, and for the class of station proposed, all the required separations are met for the allotment of Channel 278C3 at Asbury, Missouri. The spacing to the authorized transmitter site of KTFX, Channel 277C, Tulsa, Oaklahoma, is 175.96 km. This spacing "rounds" to the required 176 km of §73.207(b)(1)TABLE A.

The reference point considered for the study is NL 37°23'44"; WL 94°40'42". This reference point is a point proximate to the city from which the 3.16 mV/m (70 dBu) contour of the proposed facility would encompass the entire community.

This location is the site which KWXD has applied for, in a modification of permit application now pending before the Commission. Thus, this site is proven to be available for use by the applicant.

It is requested that 47 C.F.R.§73.202(b) be amended as follows:

CITY, STATE	PRESENT	PROPOSED
Asbury, MO	278A	278C3

No change is required to any other allotment, and it is believed that this petition will not impact any request for rulemaking now pending before the Commission.

FIGURE 1

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KWXD, Asbury, Missouri Facility Upgrade to Class C3

REFERENCE 37 23 44 1 94 40 42 V			Current CHANNEL	CLASS C3 rules space 278 -103.5	cings 5 MHz -		DISPI DATA SEARCH	AY DATES 01-04-9 02-11-9	;)3)3
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	KWXD.C	278A Asbury 37 14 24 94 William Bruce	30 22	MO 6.000 kW	138.5 100M	23.05 14.3	141.5 87.9		*
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	KIRK LI CN	279C Lebanon 37 49 10 92 Ozark Broadca	44 51 1 sting, Ir	MO 100.000 kW	74.6 300M	176.87 109.9 BLH88111	175.5 109.1 L5KC	1.37	<
	KOMB LI CN	280A Fort Sc 37 48 27 94 Fort Scott Br	42 33	2.000 kW	122M	28.5	25.8	4.30	
	KPRS LI CN	277C Kansas 39 00 57 94 KPRS Broadcas	City 30 24 1 ting Corp	MO 100.000 kW poration	4.8 303M	180.48 112.2 BLH87052	175.5 109.1 22KA	4.98	
	CP CN	281A Ash Gro 37 15 05 93 Ashgrove, Inc	41 12	MO 3.000 kW	59M	89.34 55.5 BPH88020	25.8	47.84	